## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## **DISTRICT OF OREGON**

## PORTLAND DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 3:23-cr-00311-MO

v. INFORMATION

JIANG YU, 18 U.S.C. § 2320(a)(1)

Defendant. Forfeiture Allegation

#### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

# COUNT 1

(Conspiracy to Traffic in Counterfeit Goods) (18 U.S.C. § 2320(a)(1))

- 1. During the course of the conspiracy, "NIOSH" and "3M" were active protected marks registered with the principal office of the U.S. Patent and Trademark.
- 2. Beginning on or about May 1, 2020, and ending on or about June 10, 2021, in the District of Oregon and elsewhere, defendant **JIANG YU**, with co-conspirators known and unknown to the Grand Jury, did intentionally traffic and conspire to traffic in goods, specifically N95 type masks, knowingly using a counterfeit mark, namely the spurious marks "NIOSH" and "3M," on and in connection with such goods.

## MANNER AND MEANS OF THE CONSPIRACY

3. Defendant and others used the following manner and means, among others, to accomplish the objectives of the conspiracy:

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- 4. It was part of the conspiracy that defendant and his co-conspirators worked with producers of counterfeit N95 type masks to import those counterfeit products into the United States.
- 5. It was part of the conspiracy that defendant and his co-conspirators created fake documents and certificates of authenticity in an attempt to lull and trick purchasers about the nature of their counterfeit products.
- 6. It was part of the conspiracy that defendant and his co-conspirators sold the counterfeit masks to various customers throughout the United States.
- 7. During the course of the conspiracy, defendant and his co-conspirators obtained at least \$2.5 million in sales from counterfeit masks.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2320(a)(1).

# FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

The allegations contained in Count 1 of this Information are incorporated herein by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2323(b). Upon conviction of the offense alleged in Count 1 of this Information, defendant **JIANG YU** shall forfeit to the United States of America any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds obtained directly or indirectly as a result of such offense, and any personal property that was used or intended to be used to commit or to facilitate the commission of such offense, including a sum of money equal to the proceeds derived from or obtained as a result of such offense, including:

- 383,760 counterfeit 3M N95 masks;
- 164,160 EA counterfeit 3M masks;
- 51,120 EA Makrite counterfeit masks;

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- A 2004 Lamborghini Gallardo, VIN ZHWGU11S84LA00741, its tools and appurtenances;
- A 2012 Mercedes ML350, VIN 4JGDA5HB6CA021110, its tools and appurtenances; and
- \$25,913.84 in U.S. currency.

# **SUBSTITUTE ASSETS**

If any of the above-described forfeitable property listed in Count 1 of this Information, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- (b) has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- (c) has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
- (d) has been substantially diminished in value; or
- (e) has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p) as incorporated by 18 U.S.C. § 982(b), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the forfeitable property described in these forfeiture allegations.

Dated: October 2, 2023 Respectfully submitted,

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